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GREATER HONOLULU HARBOR

The immediate increase of the capacity of Honolulu harbor is one of the most urgent present public needs.

Major Wooten, then local chief of the engineer corps, recommended to the board of engineers last spring, that an extension westward from Honolulu harbor to Kalihi basin be made with a width of four hundred feet, with a turning basin at the end a thousand feet in diameter.

The board of harbor engineers at Washington, considered the matter, and, no one representing Hawaii being present to present the facts to the board, they turned the proposition down; but were good enough to refer the matter back to Honolulu stating that they were open to further presentation of arguments and facts.

The Governor, the board of harbor commissioners, the chamber of commerce, and the several companies interested in shipping frequenting Honolulu all addressed the board urging that the recommendation of Major Wooten be approved.

Exhaustive statistics were shown demonstrating that the harbor of Honolulu was not large enough to adequately care for even the present commerce, allowing nothing for increase of commerce and the normal increase of shipping which might fairly be expected to come through the Panama Canal. The chamber of commerce employed ex-Governor Frear to present the matter to the board, which he did in a masterly printed brief.

The board of engineers was much impressed with the presentation made, but postponed decision as they were about to take a trip to the West.

The board has recently sent to the present local chief of engineers, Colonel Bromwell, a suggested modification of the plan proposed by Major Wooten, by which, instead of building a long four-hundred-foot wide channel toward Kalihi, with a turning basin at the end, a channel a thousand-foot wide, and extending a thousand feet toward Kalihi shall be made. This width of channel would obviate the necessity of a turning basin at the end, and at the same time would give considerable additional room and frontage space.

This suggestion was later laid by Colonel Bromwell before the Governor, the harbor commissioners and the chamber of commerce for their consideration.

The territorial board of harbor commissioners has, after careful consideration, approved of the general plan of the substitution of a thousand-foot channel for the four-hundred-foot one; but has suggested a further modification by which the shoal water on the makai side of the harbor now partially occupied by the quarantine wharf and also a strip of Sand Island, adjacent to the lighthouse including the lighthouse site, be dredged out to the full harbor depth.

The object of widening the harbor at this point is that the ships which are now coming here are so long—and the indications are that in the future they will be longer—that there is not room for them to safely turn in the harbor for fear of bumping their sterns on the area proposed to be removed.

The recommendation of the board of harbor commissioners was yesterday placed before the committee of the chamber of commerce on maritime affairs, and met with unanimous approval.

The committee also requested all of the local concerns interested in shipping to immediately communicate with Colonel Bromwell their opinions concerning the matter. As most of them are represented on the committee above named, there is no doubt that their views will be in support of those of the harbor commission.

As soon as the reports in question are received by Colonel Bromwell, he will make a report to the board of army engineers at Washington.

Everything that can be done locally is, therefore, now in training to secure an appropriation from congress to go ahead with this important matter. It is now up to the Delegate to take care of the matter at the Washington end of the line, and see that no stone is left unturned to secure favorable action.

CLOSING THE STABLE DOOR AFTER THE HORSE IS GONE

An order has come from the lighthouse department at Washington to the commander of the lighthouse tender Kukui to sail for Alaska on December 18, there to perform the duties of lighthouse tender for that Territory. In exchange for the Kukui, which is an up-to-date boat built especially for Hawaiian services, Hawaii is to receive an old steamer twenty-five years old, in every way inferior in size, power and speed, to the Kukui, and inefficient for local work.

This action was fore-shadowed months ago. In fact, ever since the Kukui was built, it has been known that the Alaska authorities have been trying to get her away from Hawaii.

If we had had a man on the ground at Washington watching our interests, it might have been prevented. As it is we are reaping the natural results of negligence.

The committee on maritime affairs of the chamber of commerce yesterday passed a resolution requesting the Delegate to Congress to take the matter up with the lighthouse department at Washington, immediately upon his arrival there, and see if he can not get the order countermanded.

The action by the committee is along the right lines, although it is doubtful if anything can be accomplished at this late date. The effort at least should be made to retain the Kukui here; if for no other purpose than to show that the proposition does not meet with local approval, and to lay a foundation for an attempt to secure in the immediate future an adequate boat for local service.

PROHIBITION VICTORIES

Reliable information came by the last mail regarding the victories gained for state-wide Prohibition in the four new states now added to the roll of honor in behalf of Temperance. Here are the approximate majorities as announced in favor of the Constitutional overthrow of the saloon:

Colorado	15,000
Oregon	25,000
Washington	15,000
Arizona	4,000

The California amendment limiting a Prohibition vote to once in eight years was defeated by a majority of 46,000 votes. This is one of the greatest victories ever gained in California for Temperance reform.

TRANSPORTATION DURING THE FAIR

The general expectation is that travel to the Islands during the San Francisco Fair will be greater than ever before known. There seems to be good reason for this belief, due not only to the fact that an extra large number of people will visit California to attend the fair; but that an immense number of people who have heretofore traveled abroad on the Continent to Europe will be prevented from so doing, and will be looking elsewhere for travel fields.

This outlook presents a serious problem to this community. Last year, with all the Pacific Mail boats running, and the English and Japanese boats available to take part of the through travel to the Asiatic coast, the passenger steamers between San Francisco and Honolulu were crowded up to three in a room, which is desperately uncomfortable for six days' accommodation.

Moreover, last year the Honolulu was running between Honolulu and San Francisco, while she has since been taken off and is running on the New York route. Now the through steamers to Japan are greatly reduced in number, so that the remaining steamers are crowded with through passengers, leaving little room for those coming to the Islands alone.

Unless relief is obtained from some source, Honolulu is liable to lose a great number of visitors who would otherwise come here, simply for lack of transportation.

It is an eminently proper subject for the chamber of commerce of Honolulu to take up and formulate some plan by which passenger accommodation between here and the Coast can be increased.

It has been stated that the "Hill Line" of steamers, now running direct from Puget Sound to the Orient will soon make Hawaii a way station both ways. The Hill steamers are the largest passenger vessels on the Pacific, and if this report is true, it will vastly relieve the situation.

It would be sound for the chamber of commerce to communicate with the Hill Company and ascertain if the report is true; and, if it is not, to bring pressure upon the company to add Honolulu to its sailing route.

The Matson company is the one now doing the bulk of the passenger business between the Coast and the Islands, and is the one to which this community naturally looks to meet the situation. It would not be reasonable to ask, and there is not time if the request were made, to build new steamers in time for next year's passenger business; but it might be entirely feasible for the Matson company to charter additional steamers to meet temporarily the demand during the fair. A further reason why this might be practicable is, that a larger proportion of the island crop of sugar will go to San Francisco in 1915 than was the case in 1914. This will probably require larger carrying capacity than the present Matson fleet contains, and therefore in favor of getting more steamers; and if this is to be done, see that they have passenger as well as freight accommodations.

Again, this is an eminently proper subject for the chamber of commerce to take up with the Matson company.

THE VALUE OF BLUFF

A bluff is a collection of small deceptions directed to a single end; but this does not mean that the end may not be honest, for bluffing is resorted to in the most deserving of causes. Men rise to eminence in politics through their ability to convince the people that they are much better qualified than others who lack only the knack of talking about themselves. Women achieve social distinction and a reputation for intellectual cleverness by bluffing judiciously among other women known to be amenable to that kind of impression, and the reputation in turn serves to impress the more conservative. But whatever his reward, the successful bluffer earns it all. He must have an agile wit and a ready tongue. He must be patient enough to wait for the ripe moment, then assert his accumulation of deceptions with discretion and a certain amount of the vital fire which is often abused under the term personality. Many a reputation for extraordinary prosperity has begun with a borrowed automobile and a disposition to share it with the select few whom its possession will inspire with the most awe. Daring is required to execute such a plan, but your true bluffer is generally so well schooled in failure that it has no terrors for him. He has begun as a callow youth, when it seemed easier to believe that he was wise than to acquire wisdom. Very often this youthful bluff succeeds, for older men are inclined to overestimate the strength of youth. And once used it soon becomes a habit. Not until the years have taught their lesson does the futility of bluffing become evident. Then the bluffer finds himself deserted by youth, his great ally, which he has worked so hard; and in the test which mellow age puts on the conversation of men he finds himself proved a bore and a person of impoverished intellect. To many bluffers, though, the bluff is only a stepping stone to respectable accomplishment, and not infrequently youthful bluffs are capped with honor and substantial distinction.

THE PASSING HOUR

The Venice baseball players will have to bring a lawyer with them on their next visit, as well as an umpire.

A New York paper is mean enough to say, now that Roosevelt has no more party of his own, that both the Democrats and the Republicans are hoping that he will not decide to join them.

The Outrigger Club has extended cards of invitation to the officers of the German cruiser Geier, now interned in Honolulu. The Outrigger Club is to be congratulated upon this thoughtful courtesy. The gentlemen in question are the guests of Honolulu, for the time being, and should be treated as such.

Apparently the official press agents of the warring Powers have not yet learned to take a joke. Thus, the other day, we had Berlin announcing that the reports of Russian victories in Poland were "of course, ridiculous lies." Now we have the British press bureau explaining that the accounts of Turkish victories in Egypt "consist of false information deliberately spread abroad in Constantinople under German instructions."

Without knowledge of the legal technicalities involved in the baseball snarl, the whole affair appears to be a nasty attempt at dollar grabbing by the management of the Athletic Park, without regard to the black eye baseball is receiving from the apparent pettifogging tactics. Yesterday's fiasco was a disappointment to thousands, due, we are led to believe, to the refusal on the part of the park management to allow a representative of the promoters to stay in the box office. Now, no honest man or set of men could object to someone keeping tab on money which is to be in dispute, unless he or they deliberately wished to bring about a failure of plans such as resulted yesterday. This whole matter of disputes, injunctions and hold-ups has a shyster look. Some one must be very hard up for a fee.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL WILL BE OBSERVED

Founding of Kawaiahao Seminary To Be Celebrated With Imposing Pageant

In honor of the semi-centennial of the founding of the Kawaiahao Seminary, the pioneer institution of its class in Hawaii, an elaborate entertainment will be held in the new home of the seminary in Manoa Valley tomorrow afternoon, beginning at three o'clock.

A living historic pageant will review the progress of the seminary, as well as the progress of the islands, which is so closely linked with that of the institution. In the pageant one hundred twenty-five girls, pupils of the seminary, will take part, the annals of the institution being depicted in living pictures on the broad terraces of the school.

After the pageant there will be a reception tendered by the trustees to former pupils of the seminary, friends and other visitors. A special welcome is being extended to the several hundred alumnae. To both the pageant and reception a general invitation has been extended to the public by the trustees and Miss Mabel E. Bosher, principal of the seminary. It is the wish of those that as many of the alumnae as are able to attend will do so.

The celebration will close with a banquet to be given tomorrow night by the alumnae to the trustees of the seminary and at which, besides the guests of honor, the hostesses and a few other friends will be present.

The personnel of the board of trustees is as follows: Francis W. Damon, president; Dr. Doremas Sessler, vice-president; Dr. W. P. Ferguson, secretary; Frank C. Atherton, treasurer; Rev. J. W. Wadman, Richard A. Cooke, William A. Bowman, Joseph P. Cooke, Theodore Richards, Rev. O. H. Gulick, George N. Wilcox, George F. Castle, Mrs. Mary Dillingham Frear, Mrs. J. M. Atherton, and Mrs. Mary Damon.

EWALIKO BRANDS SHERIFF A LIAR

William L. Ewaliko, whose name was given to Sheriff Rose with four others as eligibles for the position of clerk to the deputy sheriff, accuses the sheriff of maliciously lying when the latter explained to the civil service commission that he did not wish to appoint Ewaliko to the position because he had been found guilty of gambling and assaults.

At the last meeting of the commission Sheriff Rose gave his excuses for not appointing any one of the five men whose names were given him to the position.

Ewaliko's letter to The Advertiser, in which he gives the lie to the sheriff's statements, reads as follows:

"Editor of The Advertiser:—As one of the eligibles who successfully passed the civil service examination for the position as clerk to the sheriff, I wish to respectfully ask you to allow me space in your valuable paper in order to let the public know that the statement made against me, 'not being eligible for the position in a letter submitted by the sheriff to the commission, which appears in your issue of November 26, as follows: That I have 'gambled, assaulted, etc., and was convicted and released on suspended sentence,' is a malicious lie to my character. As proof to my statement I refer you to Charles H. Merriam, registrar of conveyances of this Territory, for whom I have worked for the past eight years, and during this time of service I have not once been absent to attend any case pending in court against me.

"Hoping you will see that a fair chance is given me before the public to defend my character, and thanking you in advance, I beg to remain
Yours respectfully,
"WM. L. EWALIKO."

SOLDIER AND WATCHMAN PLACED UNDER ARREST

"Rough House" Reed, a member of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, has been arrested by the federal authorities on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon in a military reservation. It is alleged that Reed, through accident, shot another soldier in a leg. This in itself, say the authorities, did not constitute a crime, but it brought out the fact that Reed was carrying a gun without authority.

M. M. Oliver, a watchman at Fort Shafter, is also under arrest, charged with selling clothing which is claimed to be army property.

KOREAN KNOCKED DOWN AND INJURED BY AUTO

An unknown Korean, while walking along the Waiiale road, last night, near the Girls' Industrial school, became confused when he saw an automobile, driven by William Gitt, approaching, and jumped in front of the car, receiving injuries which necessitated his being sent to the Queen's hospital. Traffic Officer Perry investigated the accident. The Korean was struck by the one of the lamps of the car and was rendered unconscious. Mr. Gitt picked up the victim and conveyed him to the hospital. The injuries are not serious.

SPECIAL WAR TAX WILL AFFECT MANY

Date For Payment of War Tribute Draws Near, Says Internal Revenue Collector

Tobacco dealers, proprietors of theaters and other amusement concerns, including baseball, dealers in perfumery and other cosmetics, brokers, pawnbrokers, commission agents, bankers and trust company owners, and many other men engaged in various professions and industries will be avoiding impending trouble, vexation and penalties if they call on the collector of internal revenue here and learn from him what he has against them.

Many articles now on sale are liable to stamp duty under the recently enacted special war tax act, and heavy penalties will be exacted from dealers who fail to affix the proper stamps to their goods. In some cases these special taxes accrued against the dealers November 1. Tobacco dealers will have to pay four dollars and eighty cents a year from November 1, the tax from that date until June 1 being three dollars and twenty cents.

Proprietors of theaters and other places of amusement, including baseball parks, are required to pay the special tax up to November 30, and so will bankers, trust companies, brokers, pawnbrokers, commission agents and several others.

Beginning December 1, special tax stamps will have to be affixed to articles of perfumery and other cosmetics, deeds, contracts, promissory notes, powers of attorney, bills of lading, express and freight receipts, telephone and telegraph messages, when the charges on these exceed fifteen cents, and all kinds of certificates required by law. Chewing gum will also have to be "stuck" with special tax stamps.

While the local office has not been furnished with stamps of all classes required, it will be well for those concerned to call and tender payment, thus safeguarding themselves against possible penalties for not adhering strictly to the letter of the law.

SKIPPER OF LIBELED SCHOONER Jessie Fremont Closes Deal For Sloop Helen

Capt. George R. Frair of the schooner Jessie Fremont, and Capt. Max Schlemmer, "King of Laysan Island," have formed a partnership and at a no distant date will make a pearl hunting dash in the sloop Helen for the Admiralty Islands.

This was the information which leaked out yesterday. Captain Frair, while talking "pearls" until any one hearing him would imagine he was floating in the air, was uncommunicative in regard to the coming fortune voyage. Captain Schlemmer could not be located. Knowing one, however, say that the deal has been cinched and everything settled for the trip.

Certainly Can Talk Pearls

"I heard Captain Frair talk about 'pearls' the other day," said a prominent government official yesterday, "and I really think that he believes what he talks about."

"The old salt is a mite of a man and certainly unimposing when he engages in ordinary conversation; but just mention 'pearls' to him and no man is susceptible of a greater transformation than that little mariner."

"I asked him the other day about all these stories of his being out looking for pearls."

"Pearls? Why, I can take you to a place I know where a man would go daffy because he wouldn't know what to do with the pearls all around him," shouted the captain. "Tons and tons of them, believe me."

"And I believed him—almost," added the official. "You can almost see the pearls under foot; you almost imagine you feel them in your hand."

Fortune Hunter Undaunted
But to get back to the pearl raid on the Admiralty Islands.
The libel served on the Jessie Fremont has in no particular daunted Captain Frair nor abated in one iota his enthusiasm for becoming rich in pearls. He can be gathered faster than one may pick coconuts off a century-old palm.

The sloop Helen and Captain Schlemmer have come to the rescue, it is affirmed and now it is but a question of getting the crew of the old Jessie Fremont to agree to exchange berths to the Helen. The Admiralty Islands are a long way from Honolulu; but distance no time seems to matter with these seekers after a pearl fortune.

KOREAN KILLS HIMSELF BY TAKING ANT POISON

Wrote Note Before Swallowing Poison—Life Wore Him

Kim Tong Chong, a Korean, about thirty years of age, wrote a letter stating that he was tired of life, went to a drug store, purchased a bottle of ant poison, and then went to Aala Park and drank the mixture. He was discovered shortly after two o'clock yesterday afternoon by a passerby, who notified the police. The Korean was taken to the Queen's Hospital, where all efforts to save his life failed. He died shortly after four o'clock in the afternoon. An inquest will be held today by Coroner Aesch.

TREATMENT FOR DYSENTERY.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy followed by a dose of castor oil will effectually cure the most stubborn cases of dysentery. It is especially good for summer diarrhoea in children. For sale by all dealers, Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii.

ALL BIDS FOR HILLO IMPROVEMENT VOID

Harbor Board Will Throw Them Out Because They Are Considered Defective

All the bids recently submitted by contractors for the construction of the Hilo wharf shed and conveyor will be thrown out and new bids called for at an early date. While this was not definitely decided by the harbor commission at its last meeting, it will be ordered when the board meets again, probably after the return of the members from Hawaii, for which island they will leave, with the exception of Commissioner T. M. Church, who is unable to go, in the steamer Mauna Loa today at noon.

The bids will be thrown out because it is claimed that they are not competitive in the sense required by law. The bidders in some cases bid only on portions of the whole undertaking and, again, in regard to the conveyor, the board wishes all bids to be made on a plan of the same design.

The board has been informed by the attorney general verbally that the first set of bids may be thrown out and new bids called for. The board will not act, however, until a written opinion has been rendered by the attorney general's department.

UNKNOWN PERSON STABS A SOLDIER

Private Max Steele, Second Infantry, Receives Ugly Knife Wound In Back

Max Steele, a private in Company H, Second Infantry, was stabbed in the back last night at ten-twenty o'clock by an unknown assailant. Police Officers Palenapa and Huthel were attracted to the corner of King and River streets by the groans of Steele, who was lying on the sidewalk, bleeding profusely from the back.

The injured man was removed to the Queen's Hospital, where it was found that he had received a knife wound over the kidneys, which penetrated about four inches. The authorities at the hospital said last night that Steele was in no immediate danger.

When he regained consciousness Steele refused to make any statement as to the cause of his trouble.

KINNEY IS ROYALLY GREETED ON NIHAU

News advices from Nihaupoint that the good folk of the Hermit Island were greatly pleased with the recent visit among them of Henry W. Kinney, superintendent of public instruction. Mr. Kinney is the first cabinet officer to visit Nihaupoint since the late Alatan Atkinson was minister of education—more than a quarter of a century ago.

In honor of the superintendent's visit a luau was given at the only school house Nihaupoint boasts of and every man, woman and child was present. Addresses of welcome were made by the old men of the village and a bevy of pretty little Hawaiian girls decorated Mr. Kinney with ilima and malle leis.

Mr. Kinney found the school in good running order and the children healthy and happy, but shy. It took the superintendent some time to make the children talk, the little ones saying that they were afraid of the "habile man."

No difficulty was experienced by the superintendent, however, when he began to address the pupils in Hawaiian. Then the little boys and girls became friendly and talkative.

CULTURED BOSTON COMES HERE FOR ENLIGHTENMENT

From far-away cultured Boston General Secretary Paul Super of the Young Men's Christian Association this week received an urgent appeal for aid. They are planning a million-dollar Y. M. C. A. building back in the city that is supposed to be the seat of all that is modern, and they had just heard that the Y. M. C. A. building in Honolulu is fitted with sanitary dental fountains, small bowls with running water attachments, intended to insure cleanliness in the laving of the teeth.

Nearly all the Pullman cars on the mainland railroads are fitted with these toilet requisites, most States requiring them.

Mr. Super was asked whether the sanitary fittings have proved a success here. He replied immediately, stating that they have, and for Boston by all means to install them in its proposed million-dollar structure.

Gaspar Teruel and Antonio Ruiz, although entirely ignorant of English, were naturalized as American citizens last week in Kanai by Judge Diekey. They were examined and sworn through an interpreter, this being made possible under a recent amendment to the naturalization laws which provides that the English language test is not required in the case of applicants who have taken up public lands for bona fide homesteading.